



SYNOPSIS

House Bills and Joint Resolutions
2015 Maryland General Assembly Session

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HOUSE BILLS INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 13, 2015

HB 901 Delegate Hettleman, et al

CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE COUNTY – GILEAD
HOUSE RENOVATION

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$65,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of The Vestry of St. Mark's-on-the-Hill for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Gilead House, located in Baltimore County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Appropriations

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HB 902 Calvert County Delegation**CALVERT COUNTY – PUBLIC FACILITIES BONDS**

Authorizing and empowering the County Commissioners of Calvert County, from time to time, to borrow not more than \$51,925,000 to finance the construction, improvement, or development of specified public facilities in Calvert County, and to effect such borrowing by the issuance and sale of its general obligation bonds; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 903 Delegate M. Washington**SALES AND USE TAX – EXEMPTION FOR PRECIOUS METAL BULLION AND COINS – REPEAL**

Repealing the sales and use tax exemption for the sale of precious metal bullion or coins if the sale price is greater than \$1,000.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

TG, § 11-214.1 - repealed

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 904 Delegate Carter, et al**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – EXPUNGEMENT OF COURT AND POLICE RECORDS – ACQUITTAL OR DISMISSAL**

Requiring the expungement of specified court and police records relating to a specified criminal charge under specified circumstances; requiring a specified law enforcement unit to search for specified information and send a specified notice; requiring the Criminal Justice Information System Central Repository, a specified booking facility, and a specified law enforcement unit to search for and expunge specified information and advise a specified person in a specified manner under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CP, § 10-105.1 - added and § 10-107 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 905 Delegate Waldstreicher, et al**CRIMINAL LAW – HUMAN TRAFFICKING – AFFIRMATIVE DEFENSE**

Providing that, in a prosecution for a specified charge relating to prostitution, it is an affirmative defense of duress if the defendant committed the act as a result of being a victim of human trafficking or in order to acquire specified necessities; and providing that a defendant intending on asserting the affirmative defense is required to provide the State's Attorney with a specified notice.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CR, § 11-306 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 906 Delegate Miele, et al**LEGISLATIVE AND CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICTING – STANDARDS AND PROCESSES**

Amending specified provisions of and adding a new article to the Maryland Constitution for the purpose of changing the legislative and congressional districting standards and processes; requiring that each Senate legislative district be subdivided into a specified number of House legislative districts, each of which must contain a specified number of Delegates; establishing the Nonpartisan Districting Commission; requiring that specified plans become law on adoption by the Commission; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. III, §§ 3 through 5 - amended and Art. XX, §§ 1 through 3 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 907 Delegate W. Miller, et al**EMPLOYEES' PENSION SYSTEM – TOWN OF SYKESVILLE – SERVICE CREDIT**

Repealing the 75% limitation on the amount of service credit an employee of the Town of Sykesville may receive for employment with the Town of Sykesville before the Town of Sykesville's effective date of participation in the Employees' Pension System as a participating governmental unit; repealing a provision made obsolete by the Act that prohibits an entitlement to service credit for specified employment under a specified circumstance; and making a conforming change.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

SP, § 31-111(a) - amended and § 31-111.5 - repealed

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 908 Delegate Ghrist, et al**CRIMINAL LAW – PROFESSIONAL COUNSELORS AND THERAPISTS
– MISCONDUCT (LYNETTE’S LAW)**

Prohibiting a specified professional counselor or therapist from engaging in a sexual act, sexual contact, or vaginal intercourse with a person who is receiving counseling from the professional counselor or therapist or received counseling from the professional counselor or therapist within the 2 years preceding the sexual act or sexual contact; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CR, § 3-307 - amended and § 9-509 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 909 Delegate Pena–Melnik, et al**PILOT PROGRAM FOR SMALL BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT BY EX-
OFFENDERS**

Establishing the Pilot Program for Small Business Development by Ex-Offenders to assist with the establishment of small businesses by individuals exiting the correctional system; requiring the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, in consultation with the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services and the Maryland Small Business Development Financing Authority, to establish by January 1, 2016, a pilot program for the training of individuals exiting the correctional system; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

LE, § 11-1201 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 910 Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George’s County Delegation**WASHINGTON SUBURBAN SANITARY COMMISSION –
POLYBUTYLENE CONNECTION PIPE REPLACEMENT LOAN
PROGRAM MC/PG 116–15**

Requiring the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission to establish a Polybutylene Connection Pipe Replacement Loan Program; requiring the Program to provide for specified eligibility requirements; requiring the Program to require specified customers to repay the loan through a surcharge on the customer’s water and sewer bill; prohibiting the Commission from setting a surcharge greater than an amount that allows the Commission to cover specified costs; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

PU, § 23-205 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 911 Delegate Anderson, et al**MARIJUANA CONTROL AND REVENUE ACT OF 2015**

Repealing specified criminal and civil prohibitions against the use and possession of marijuana; establishing specified exemptions from prosecution for specified persons for using, obtaining, purchasing, transporting, or possessing marijuana under specified circumstances; providing exemptions from prosecution for specified retailers, marijuana product manufacturers, marijuana cultivation facilities, and safety compliance facilities under specified circumstances; establishing a specified affirmative defense; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CR, §§ 5-601(c) and 5-620(d)(2) - amended and § 5-601(d) - repealed and CR, TG, and CJ, Various Sections - added

Assigned to: Judiciary and Ways and Means

HB 912 Prince George's County Delegation**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY JUVENILE COURT AND SCHOOL SAFETY WORKGROUP PG 314-15**

Reestablishing the Prince George's County Juvenile Court and School Safety Workgroup; providing for the composition, cochairs, and staffing of the Workgroup; prohibiting a member of the Workgroup from receiving specified compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of specified expenses; establishing the duties of the Workgroup; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 913 Delegate Hixson**TRANSPORTATION – HIGHWAY USER REVENUES – LOCAL GOVERNMENT REPORTING – REVISIONS**

Repealing a requirement that Baltimore City, counties, and municipalities report specified information relating to the use of highway user revenues to the Governor and specified committees of the General Assembly on or before January 1 of each year; requiring Baltimore City and each county and municipality to report the costs for specified projects paid for using highway user revenues to the State Highway Administration; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

TR, § 8-412 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 914 Delegate Frush**NATURAL RESOURCES – NUISANCE ORGANISMS – REWARD FOR INFORMATION**

Authorizing a judge to award a reward to a person providing information leading to a conviction for a violation of specified nuisance organism laws or regulations; requiring a specified reward to be paid from specified fine proceeds in an amount not to exceed a specified percentage of fines imposed; and prohibiting a reward from being awarded to a law enforcement officer or an employee of the Department of Natural Resources.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

NR, § 4-205.1(i) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 915 Charles County Delegation**MARYLAND INCOME TAX REFUNDS – CHARLES COUNTY – WARRANT INTERCEPT PROGRAM**

Altering the requirement for the Comptroller to withhold Maryland income tax refunds of specified individuals with outstanding warrants to include residents of Charles County or individuals who have outstanding warrants from Charles County; making nonsubstantive changes to specified termination provisions; making conforming changes; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

TG, § 13-936, Chapter 451 of the Acts of 2012, § 3, as amended, and Chapter 213 of the Acts of 2013, § 3 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 916 Delegate B. Wilson, et al**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – COMMUNITY REVITALIZATION AND IMPROVEMENT ZONES**

Authorizing a county to establish, by local law, a specified contracting authority for the purpose of designating a community revitalization and improvement zone for construction of specified facilities; establishing an application process within the Department of Business and Economic Development for designating a zone; authorizing a county to issue specified bonds for the benefit of specified zones; requiring the transfer, from the General Fund, of specified increased tax revenue; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

EC, §§ 12-601 through 12-612 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 917 Delegate Kramer, et al**MOTOR VEHICLES – CHECKPOINTS – PROHIBITION ON TARGETING MOTORCYCLES**

Prohibiting a police officer at a motor vehicle checkpoint from targeting only motorcycles for inspection or evaluation; creating a specified exception to the prohibition for a police officer at a motor vehicle checkpoint established as part of a police search or investigation; providing for the construction of a provision of law governing obedience to a lawful order or direction of a police officer; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

TR, § 21-103 - amended and § 25-114 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 918 Delegate Kramer, et al**PUBLIC SAFETY – MOTORCYCLE PROFILING – TRAINING**

Requiring the Police Training Commission to require a specified statement condemning motorcycle profiling to be included in existing written policies regarding other profiling; requiring the Commission to include in specified curriculum and courses of study training on motorcycle profiling in conjunction with existing training regarding other profiling; and defining the term “motorcycle profiling”.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

PS, §§ 3-201(e) and 3-207(18) - added and § 3-207(17) and (18) -amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 919 Delegate Lafferty, et al**LAND USE – PLANS – DEVELOPMENT AND ADOPTION**

Authorizing the legislative body of a local jurisdiction to adopt, modify, or disapprove a specified plan or part of a plan, a plan for one or more geographic sections or divisions of the local jurisdiction, or an amendment or extension of or addition to the plan; requiring the legislative body to hold a public hearing before taking specified actions; requiring a planning commission to hold a public hearing before submitting a new recommended plan under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

LU, §§ 3-204 and 3-205 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 920 Delegate Lisanti, et al**STATE HIGHWAY ADMINISTRATION – RELOCATION OF WATER AND SEWER LINES – PAYMENT OF COSTS**

Requiring the State Highway Administration to pay to a publicly owned utility the cost of relocating water and sewer lines due to specified highway projects financed in whole or in part by federal funds; requiring payments made by the Administration under the Act to be considered part of the cost of specified highway projects and to be included in the Consolidated Transportation Program; and defining specified terms.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

TR, § 8-656 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 921 Delegate Parrott**HOUSE LEGISLATIVE DISTRICTS – SINGLE MEMBER**

Amending the Maryland Constitution to decrease the number of delegates in each House legislative district to one; and submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. III, § 3 - amended

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 922 Delegate Waldstreicher, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – ANNE L. BRONFMAN CENTER AND MISLER ADULT DAY CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$95,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Jewish Council for the Aging of Greater Washington, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Anne L. Bronfman Center and Misler Adult Day Center, located in Montgomery County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 923 Delegate Hixson, et al**CAPITAL GRANT PROGRAM FOR LOCAL SCHOOL SYSTEMS WITH SIGNIFICANT ENROLLMENT GROWTH OR RELOCATABLE CLASSROOMS**

Establishing the Capital Grant Program for Local School Systems With Significant Enrollment Growth or Relocatable Classrooms; requiring the Interagency Committee on Public School Construction to implement and administer the Program; specifying requirements for grants awarded under the Program; requiring the Governor, beginning in fiscal year 2016, to provide \$20,000,000 in the State budget for the Program each fiscal year; etc.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

ED, § 5-313 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 924 Delegate Kelly**REQUIREMENTS FOR FILIAL SUPPORT – REPEAL**

Repealing the prohibition on the neglect or refusal, by a specified adult child, to provide a destitute parent with food, shelter, care, and clothing; altering the definition of “responsible relative”, as it relates to responsibility for the cost of specified services provided in a facility or program operated or funded by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to exclude from the definition the children of a recipient of specified services; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

FL, §§ 13-101 through 13-103 and 13-106 through 13-109 and HG, §§ 16-101(f) and 16-203(a) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 925 Delegate Barve, et al**MARYLAND CONSOLIDATED CAPITAL BOND LOAN OF 2011 – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – WATER PARK AT BOHRER PARK**

Amending the Maryland Consolidated Capital Bond Loan of 2011 to provide that specified grants for the Water Park at Bohrer Park may not terminate before June 1, 2016; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

Ch. 396 of the Acts of 2011, § 1(3) Item ZA02(BG) and Item ZA03(AT) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 926 Delegate Sydnor, et al**BALTIMORE CITY AND BALTIMORE COUNTY – POLICE MENTAL HEALTH UNITS – PILOT PROGRAM**

Requiring, on or before June 1, 2016, the Baltimore City and Baltimore County police departments to establish mental health units; requiring a mental health unit to consist of at least six officers who are specially trained to understand the needs of mentally ill individuals; requiring the training to be developed in consultation with the Behavioral Health Administration in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; establishing the purpose and goals of a mental health unit; and terminating the Act after June 30, 2019.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

PS, § 3-510 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Judiciary

HB 927 Prince George's County Delegation**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX CREDIT PERCENTAGE PG 422–15**

Setting the homestead property tax credit percentage for Prince George's County at 110%.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

TP, § 9-105(e)(5) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 928 Delegate Walker**SALES AND USE TAX – AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS AND EQUIPMENT – REPEAL OF EXEMPTION**

Repealing a specified exemption from the sales and use tax for specified agricultural products and equipment.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

TG, § 11-201 - repealed

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 929 Prince George's County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – FORECLOSURE RELIEF ACT OF 2015
PG 423–15

Requiring the court to send the mortgagor or grantor a specified checklist when a specified foreclosure action is filed in Prince George's County; prohibiting a lender from maintaining an action to foreclose a mortgage or deed of trust on residential real property in Prince George's County for 6 months; requiring the Office of the Attorney General to study specified matters relating to foreclosure actions and report the findings to the General Assembly on or before July 1, 2016; terminating specified provisions of the Act; etc.

EMERGENCY BILL

RP, § 7-105.1(e-1) - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 930 Prince George's County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – BOARD OF LICENSE
COMMISSIONERS – MEMBERSHIP PG 315–15

Expanding to nine the membership of the Board of License Commissioners of Prince George's County; requiring the Governor to appoint at least one commissioner from each legislative district in the county; requiring specified central committees to designate each commissioner serving on June 30, 2015, as an eligible candidate, with a specified exception; providing for staggered terms of office; requiring that not more than eight appointees belong to the same political party; etc.

VARIOUS EFFECTIVE DATES

Art. 2B, § 15-101(r) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 931 Prince George's County Delegation

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – SEVEN
DAY SALES PG 318–15

Establishing a special Sunday off-sale permit in Prince George's County; authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to issue the permit to specified license holders; authorizing the permit holder to sell specified alcoholic beverages during a specified time on Sunday for consumption off the licensed premises; establishing a \$450 fee for the permit; and authorizing the Board of License Commissioners to adopt specified regulations.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

Art. 2B, § 11-517(b) and (f) - amended and § 11-517(l) - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 932 Prince George's County Delegation

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – CITY OF COLLEGE PARK – CLASS D BEER AND WINE LICENSE PG 317–15

Authorizing a specified Class D (on–sale) beer and wine license issued for specified premises in the City of College Park to be converted, on or after July 1, 2015, into a specified Class D (on– and off–sale) beer and wine license for specified other premises in the City of College Park.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

Art. 2B, § 9-217(l)(3) - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 933 Delegate Parrott, et al

ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND DEMAND MANAGEMENT PROGRAMS AND SERVICES – REPEAL

Repealing provisions requiring the Public Service Commission to make specified yearly calculations, require gas companies and electric companies to establish specified programs and services, adopt specified rate–making policies, and ensure that the adoption of electric customer choice does not adversely impact the continuation of specified programs; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

PU, § 7-211 - repealed and SG, § 9-20B-05(f)(4) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 934 Delegate K. Young

EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS – PERSONAL ELECTRONIC ACCOUNT – PRIVACY PROTECTION

Prohibiting an educational institution from requiring, requesting, suggesting, or causing a student, an applicant, or a prospective student to grant access to, allow observation of, or disclose information that allows access to or observation of the individual's personal electronic account; prohibiting an educational institution from compelling, as a condition of acceptance or participation in specified activities, an individual to add individuals to a list of contacts or to change privacy settings; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

ED, § 26-401 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 935 Prince George's County Delegation**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – TAX SALES – FORECLOSURE FOR ABANDONED PROPERTY PG 410–15**

Authorizing the governing body of Prince George's County to file a complaint to foreclose all rights of redemption in abandoned property consisting of a vacant lot or improved property cited as vacant and unfit for habitation on a housing or building violation notice at any time after the date of sale.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

TP, § 14-833(g) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 936 Delegate Jones**PUBLIC–PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP AGREEMENTS – CONSTRUCTION CONTRACTS – PERFORMANCE SECURITY REQUIREMENTS**

Requiring a public–private partnership agreement for a construction contract to include specified requirements for performance security in accordance with specified provisions of law, including a requirement to establish performance security on the value of specified construction elements.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

SF, § 10A-401 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Appropriations

HB 937 Prince George's County Delegation**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – FINANCIAL LITERACY CURRICULUM – GRADUATION REQUIREMENTS PG 421–15**

Requiring the Prince George's County Board of Education to develop curriculum content for a course in financial literacy as a part of the county board's high school curriculum; requiring the county board to implement specified curriculum content in high schools in Prince George's County beginning in the 2016–2017 school year; requiring specified students to complete a specified course in order to graduate from high school in Prince George's County beginning in the 2017–2018 school year; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

ED, § 3-1009 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 938 **Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George's County Delegation**

PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – MARYLAND–WASHINGTON
REGIONAL DISTRICT – FAIRNESS IN ZONING MC/PG 112–15

Providing that the Prince George's County Planning Board shall retain exclusive jurisdiction over specified functions within the boundaries of specified municipal corporations; providing that the district council is not authorized to review specified matters beyond its jurisdiction as provided in a specified article; authorizing the district council in Prince George's County by local law to adopt and amend zoning law procedures for zoning decisions by the planning board and the district council; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

LU, §§ 20-202, 22-104, 22-120, and 22-206 - amended and §§ 25-212 and 22-213 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 939 **The Speaker (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission), et al**

PROPOSED REGULATIONS – DETERMINATION OF IMPACT ON
SMALL BUSINESSES

Establishing the Advisory Council on the Impact of Regulations on Small Businesses in the Department of Business and Economic Development; providing for the purpose, composition, chair, staffing, and meetings of the Advisory Council; prohibiting a member of the Advisory Council from receiving specified compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of specified expenses; requiring the Advisory Council to take specified actions and make specified determinations about proposed regulations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

EC, §§ 3-501 through 3-508 - added and SG, §§ 10-101 and 10-110 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters and Health and Government Operations

HB 940 The Speaker (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission), et al

OFFICE OF THE BUSINESS OMBUDSMAN – STATE CUSTOMER SERVICE AND BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT EFFORTS TRAINING PROGRAM

Establishing the State Customer Service and Business Development Efforts Training Program to increase the responsiveness of and improve customer service provided by State agencies to businesses and customers in the State; requiring the Office of the Business Ombudsman to administer and oversee the program; requiring specified agencies to participate in the program; requiring the Office to develop specified customer service standards; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

EC, §§ 14-203 and 14-204 - amended and § 14-204 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 941 The Speaker (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission), et al

TASK FORCE TO STUDY EXEMPTIONS FROM HIGHER EDUCATION ETHICS REQUIREMENTS AND PROCUREMENT RULES TO FACILITATE TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER

Establishing the Task Force to Study Exemptions from Higher Education Ethics Requirements and Procurement Rules to Facilitate Technology Transfer; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to review, study, and make recommendations regarding specified matters; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2015; providing for the termination of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Economic Matters and Ways and Means

HB 942 The Speaker (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission), et al

**APPRENTICESHIP PILOT PROGRAM – APPRENTICESHIP
MARYLAND**

Establishing an apprenticeship pilot program called Apprenticeship Maryland and identifying the purpose of the Program; providing for the Program to begin in the summer of 2016 and continue for 2 years; requiring the State Department of Education, in conjunction with the Department of Labor, Licensing, and Regulation, to develop criteria for the selection of specified school systems for participation; requiring the Department of Education to collaborate with specified entities to develop criteria for eligible employers; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

LE, § 11-603 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters and Ways and Means

HB 943 The Speaker (By Request – Maryland Economic Development and Business Climate Commission), et al

**ECONOMIC COMPETITIVENESS AND COMMERCE –
RESTRUCTURING**

Renaming the Department of Business and Economic Development to be the Department of Economic Competitiveness and Commerce; renaming the Secretary of Economic Development to be the Secretary of Commerce; establishing an Office of the Secretary of Commerce in the Office of the Governor; specifying that the Secretary is the head of economic development policy and implementation efforts in the State; transferring the Maryland Life Sciences Advisory Board and the Invest Maryland Program to the Maryland Technology Development Corporation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

EC, Various Sections - amended, repealed, and added and SG, § 8-201(b)(4) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 944 Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al**PATIENT REFERRALS – ONCOLOGISTS – RADIATION THERAPY SERVICES AND NONDIAGNOSTIC COMPUTER TOMOGRAPHY SCAN SERVICES**

Altering the definition of “in–office ancillary services” to include specified oncology group practices or offices of oncologists that provide specified radiation therapy services or computer tomography services; providing that specified prohibitions on referrals do not apply to a referral by specified oncologists for specified radiation therapy services or computer tomography services; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HO, § 1-301 - amended and § 1-302(f) - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 945 Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al**REGISTERED NURSES – LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENTS – REQUIREMENTS FOR PERSONALLY PREPARING AND DISPENSING DRUGS AND DEVICES**

Requiring specified registered nurses who personally prepare and dispense specified drugs and devices in local health departments in accordance with specified provisions of law or to specified patients to comply with a specified formulary and specified requirements; establishing the Committee on Personally Preparing and Dispensing Drugs and Devices by Registered Nurses in Local Health Departments; providing for the composition, terms, chair, and staffing of the Committee; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

HG, §§ 3-401 through 3-405 - added and §§ 13-3108 and 18-214.1(d) - amended and HO, § 8-512 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 946 Delegate Hornberger**LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – NONCOMPETE AND CONFLICT OF INTEREST CLAUSES**

Providing that specified noncompete and conflict of interest provisions that restrict the ability of an employee to enter into employment with a new employer in the same or similar business or trade are null and void as being against the public policy of the State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

LE, § 3-714 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 947 Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al**PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS AND TEACHER EDUCATION BOARD –
SCHOOL COUNSELORS – CERTIFICATION RENEWAL
REQUIREMENT (LAURYN’S LAW)**

Requiring the Professional Standards and Teacher Education Board to require, beginning on July 1, 2016, applicants for renewal of certification as a school counselor to have successfully completed a specified number of credit hours of continuing professional development in a specified course regarding the recognition of, initial screening for, and response to emotional and behavioral distress in students and other individuals; requiring a specified course to include specified information; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

ED, § 6-704.1 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 948 Delegates Aumann and West**BALTIMORE COUNTY – VOLUNTEER FIRE, RESCUE, AND
AMBULANCE COMPANIES – FUNDING ALLOCATION**

Requiring that in Baltimore County, a specified allocation of money from the Senator William H. Amoss Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund shall be determined by a two-thirds vote of specified individuals.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

PS, § 8-103(b) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 949 Delegate Kelly, et al**TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE PROVISION OF HEALTH CARE
COVERAGE TO UNINSURED MARYLANDERS**

Establishing the Task Force to Study the Provision of Health Care Coverage to Uninsured Marylanders; providing for the composition, chair, staffing, and duties of the Task Force; establishing the purpose of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to submit a final report on its recommendations and finding to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee on or before January 1, 2017; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 950 Delegate Shoemaker, et al**CYBERSECURITY INVESTMENT INCENTIVE TAX CREDIT – ELIGIBLE INVESTMENTS**

Altering the definition of investment for the cybersecurity investment incentive tax credit to include convertible debt; defining a specified term; and providing that the Act shall apply to investments made in qualified Maryland cybersecurity companies after June 30, 2015.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

TG, § 10-733(a)(6) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 951 Delegate Glenn, et al**MARYLAND COLLECTION AGENCY LICENSING ACT – EXEMPTIONS – LANDLORDS**

Exempting from the Maryland Collection Agency Licensing Act a landlord, or a person acting on behalf of a landlord, in collection of a rent or allied charges for property and a person acting under the provisions of a specified contract and on behalf of specified entities in the collection of specified assessments, fees or any charges imposed by the entities.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

BR, § 7-102(b) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 952 Delegate Lam, et al**PUBLIC HEALTH – HYDRAULIC FRACTURING CHEMICALS – INFORMATION AND FUND**

Requiring an applicant for a specified permit for the hydraulic fracturing of a well for the exploration or production of natural gas to submit specified information to the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene in a specified manner; establishing the Hydraulic Fracturing Chemical Education and Impact Fund for specified purposes; requiring the Department to establish a specified fee by regulation; establishing a specified civil penalty for specified violations; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HG, §§ 22-701 through 22-707 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)83. - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)81. and 82. - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 953 Delegate Hixson, et al**INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – FIRST-TIME HOMEBUYER SAVINGS ACCOUNTS**

Allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for contributions to a specified first-time homebuyer savings account during a taxable year and specified earnings on the account; providing that an account holder may claim the subtraction modification under specified circumstances; providing that transfers of money to or from the account are subject to specified requirements and limitations; applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after December 31, 2014; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

TG, § 10-208(v) - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 954 Delegate A. Washington, et al**PUBLIC SAFETY – DEATHS INVOLVING A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER – REPORTS**

Requiring local law enforcement agencies to provide the Department of State Police with specified information on officer-involved deaths and deaths in the line of duty; requiring the Department to report annually specified information on officer-involved deaths and deaths in the line of duty to the General Assembly; requiring the Department to report specified information on officer-involved deaths and deaths in the line of duty to the General Assembly on or before October 15, 2016; defining specified terms; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

PS, § 2-315 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 955 Delegate Valentino-Smith, et al**CHILD PROTECTION – REPORTING REQUIREMENTS – THREAT OF HARM**

Requiring a specified individual acting in a professional capacity to notify the local department of social services or the appropriate law enforcement agency if the individual has reason to believe that a verbal threat of a substantial risk of imminent harm to a child has been made; prohibiting a person from preventing or interfering with the making of a report under the Act; providing specified immunity to a person who participates in specified activities relating to a report made under the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

FL, §§ 5-704, 5-705.2(a), and 5-708 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 956 Delegate Carr, et al**CRIMINAL LAW – LEAVING DOGS OUTSIDE AND UNATTENDED – PROHIBITION**

Altering the circumstances under which a dog is prohibited from being left outside and unattended; and defining specified terms.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CR, § 10-623 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 957 Delegates Folden and Cluster**WORKERS' COMPENSATION – OCCUPATIONAL DISEASE PRESUMPTION – DUTY BELT WORN BY LAW ENFORCEMENT**

Providing that specified paid police officers and paid deputy sheriffs are presumed to be suffering from an occupational disease for a lower-back impairment under the workers' compensation law under specified circumstances; providing that the presumption shall apply only if the police officers and deputy sheriffs subject to the Act have been employed for a specified period of time and were required, as a condition of employment, to wear a specified duty belt; requiring that the presumption extends for a specified period of time; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

LE, § 9-503(e) - added and amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 958 Delegate Mautz, et al**SALES AND USE TAX – TAX-FREE PERIODS – HUNTING AND SPORTING GOODS**

Establishing a sales and use tax exemption period for the 7-day period from the third Sunday in April through the following Saturday for specified hunting and sporting goods shopping in Maryland during which the sales and use tax does not apply to the sale of firearms, fishing supplies, and hunting supplies if the taxable price of the item is less than \$1,000; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

TG, § 11-232 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 959 Delegate McMillan**REAL PROPERTY TAX – PHASED IN VALUE – DEFINITION**

Clarifying, for purposes of specified provisions of law concerning assessments of real property, that the definition of “phased in value” means, under specified circumstances, the value determined in the most recent valuation if the value of the property has decreased or not increased; and applying the Act to all taxable years beginning after June 30, 2015.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

TP, § 8-103 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 960 Delegate Fisher, et al**THE RETIRE IN MARYLAND ACT OF 2015**

Including income from specified retirement plans and unearned income sources within a subtraction modification allowed under the Maryland income tax for specified individuals who are at least 65 years old or who are disabled or whose spouse is disabled; repealing the limitation on the maximum amount allowed as a subtraction modification under the State income tax for specified retirement income; applying the Act to taxable years after December 31, 2014; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

TG, § 10-209 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 961 Delegate Ciliberti, et al**WOMEN'S LATE-TERM PREGNANCY HEALTH ACT**

Providing that, except in the case of a medical emergency, an abortion may not be performed or induced or be attempted to be performed or induced unless a specified physician makes a specified determination; providing that, except in the case of a medical emergency, an individual may not knowingly perform or induce or attempt to perform or induce an abortion if the probable gestational age of an unborn child is a specified number of weeks; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HG, §§ 20-217 through 20-225 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 962 Delegate McMillan**CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS CRITICAL AREA –
LOT COVERAGE – EXCLUSION FOR DRIVEWAYS CONSTRUCTED OF
DECKING MATERIAL**

Altering the definition of “lot coverage” for purposes of specified provisions of law relating to the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area to exclude driveways constructed of decking material with gaps to allow water to pass freely from specified requirements.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

NR, § 8-1802(a)(17) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 963 Delegate McMillan**CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS CRITICAL AREA –
LOT COVERAGE – CALCULATION FOR SWIMMING POOLS**

Requiring, under the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area Program, the lot coverage for specified swimming pools be calculated in a specified manner; and providing for the application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

NR, § 8-1808.3(d) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 964 Delegate Walker**SALES AND USE TAX – SNACK FOOD – APPLICATION**

Specifying that the exemption from the sales and use tax for food sold for consumption off the premises by specified food vendors does not apply to specified snack food; repealing the exemption from the sales and use tax for specified snack food sold through a vending machine; and defining the term “snack food”.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

TG, § 11-206 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 965 Delegate Haynes, et al**THE HUNGER-FREE SCHOOLS ACT OF 2015**

Altering, for fiscal year 2017, a definition to determine the number of students used to calculate the State compensatory education grant for schools that participate in the federal community eligibility program for school meals.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

ED, § 5-207(a)(3) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 966 Delegate Haynes, et al**EDUCATION – COMMUNITY COLLEGES – COLLECTIVE BARGAINING**

Establishing collective bargaining rights for specified community college employees; requiring specified community colleges to determine whether specified employees are public employees for purposes of collective bargaining; establishing procedures for the election or recognition of an exclusive bargaining representative; providing procedures by which the State Higher Education Labor Relations Board may designate a bargaining unit; establishing the maximum number of bargaining units within a community college; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

ED, §§ 16-403, 16-412, and 16-414.1 - repealed and §§ 16-701 through 16-710 - added and SP, §§ 3-2A-05, 3-2A-07, and 3-2A-08(a) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 967 Delegate Stein**BALTIMORE COUNTY BOARD OF EDUCATION – PROCUREMENT FOR CONSTRUCTION-RELATED PROJECTS FOR SCHOOLS**

Making specified provisions of law concerning the advertising for bids for specified procurements costing more than \$25,000 apply to construction-related projects for schools in Baltimore County; providing for the prospective application of the Act; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

ED, § 5-112(a) - amended and § 5-112.1 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 968 Delegate Carter, et al**LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS' BILL OF RIGHTS – ALTERATIONS**

Altering the requirements for making a specified complaint against a law enforcement officer for a reason that may lead to a specified action; altering the individuals who may conduct a specified investigation, interrogation, or hearing against a specified law enforcement officer; requiring confidentiality of specified information under specified circumstances; providing for the suspension of a law enforcement officer's police powers during a specified investigation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

PS, §§ 3-101(c) and (d), 3-104, 3-106, 3-107(a), (c), and (d)(1), 3-108, 3-110(a), and 3-112(c) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 969 Delegate Hixson, et al**LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – FAIR SCHEDULING ACT**

Requiring an employer to provide employees with a specified work schedule within a specified time period, notify employees of specified changes, and provide employees with a new work schedule within 24 hours after making a change to the initial schedule; requiring an employer to conspicuously post at each work site specified work schedules; requiring an employer to pay specified predictability pay under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

LE, §§ 2-106(b) and 3-102(a) - amended and §§ 3-103(k) and 3-1301 through 3-1311 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 970 Delegate D. Barnes, et al**PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY – TRANSFER TAX – DEPUTY SHERIFFS**

Extending a specified tax rate reduction under the Prince George’s County transfer tax to the sale of specified property to a Prince George’s County deputy sheriff under specified circumstances.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

PLL of Prince George’s Co, Art. 17, § 10-187(b)(4) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 971 Delegate Oaks, et al**PUBLIC HEALTH – SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT OUTCOMES PARTNERSHIP FUND**

Altering the definition of “eligible populations” to allow funds from the Substance Abuse Treatment Outcomes Partnership Fund to be used for services provided to drug offenders under the supervision of the problem solving courts; altering the information an applicant is required to include in a request for Partnership funding; authorizing a participating county, under specified circumstances, to use Partnership funding to continue or expand funding for eligible functions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HG, §§ 8-6C-01 and 8-6C-04 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 972 Delegate Kramer**INSURANCE – TRANSPORTATION NETWORK INSURANCE – REQUIREMENTS AND COVERAGE**

Requiring a transportation network application company to disclose specified information in writing to its transportation network operators; requiring a transportation network application company and any transportation network operator to maintain specified transportation network insurance in accordance with the Act; providing for the application of transportation network insurance to specified activities of a transportation network operator during specified periods under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

IN, §§ 19-1001 through 19-1008 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 973 Delegate Lam, et al**LOCAL AIDS PREVENTION STERILE NEEDLE AND SYRINGE EXCHANGE PROGRAMS**

Repealing a requirement that an AIDS Prevention Sterile Needle and Exchange Program may only be established in the Prince George's County Health Department; authorizing the establishment of an AIDS Prevention Sterile Needle and Syringe Exchange Program by specified entities in any jurisdiction; repealing a requirement that the Program provide for the exchange of used hypodermic needles and syringes on a one-for-one basis; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HG, §§ 24-901 through 24-906 and 24-908 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 974 Delegate McComas**MOTOR VEHICLE LIABILITY INSURANCE – DAYLIGHT DRIVING DISCOUNT FOR SENIORS**

Authorizing motor vehicle liability insurers to offer discounts to drivers at least 75 years old based on limiting driving to daylight hours; authorizing insurers to retract specified discounts under specified circumstances; providing that a specified policyholder may be required to repay an insurer for a retracted discount under specified circumstances; and applying the Act to all policies of private passenger motor vehicle insurance issued, delivered, or renewed in the State on or after October 1, 2015.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

IN, § 27-908 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 975 Delegate Haynes, et al**MARYLAND MEDICAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM – MENTAL HEALTH AND SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER BENEFITS – PARITY**

Providing that specified provisions of law apply to mental health and substance use disorder benefits provided by the Maryland Medical Assistance Program or administered by an administrative services organization; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to use the standards used to determine compliance with the federal Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act in determining compliance with a specified provision of law; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HG, § 15-103(b)(21) and (22) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 976 Delegate McKay, et al**TASK FORCE TO STUDY THE IMPACT OF METHADONE CLINICS ON SURROUNDING COMMUNITIES AND BUSINESSES**

Establishing a Task Force to Study the Impact of Methadone Clinics on Surrounding Communities and Businesses; establishing the membership of the Task Force; requiring the chair of the Task Force to be elected from among its members; providing that the Task Force shall be staffed by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; establishing duties of the Task Force; requiring the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2015; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 977 Delegate Anderson, et al**STATE CORRECTIONAL OFFICERS' BILL OF RIGHTS – INVESTIGATORY FILE AND RECORD OF PROCEEDING**

Establishing that a specified investigatory file and record of a proceeding are personnel records for purposes of the Public Information Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CS, § 10-903 - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 978 Delegate Lam, et al**HIV TESTING – INFORMED CONSENT AND PRETEST REQUIREMENTS – MODIFICATION**

Altering specified requirements on health care providers before obtaining specified samples for the purpose of HIV testing; requiring a health care provider to make available specified materials and specified language assistance to specified individuals; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HG, § 18-336 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 979 Delegate Pena–Melnik, et al**STATE BOARD OF CHIROPRACTIC AND MASSAGE THERAPY EXAMINERS AND STATE BOARD OF PHYSICAL THERAPY EXAMINERS – DRY NEEDLING – REGISTRATION REQUIREMENTS**

Prohibiting specified licensed chiropractors and licensed physical therapists from performing dry needling unless the State Board of Chiropractic and Massage Therapy Examiners or State Board of Physical Therapy Examiners has registered the licensed chiropractor or licensed physical therapist in accordance with specified provisions of law; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HO, §§ 3-101 and 13-101 - amended and §§ 3-3A-01, 3-3A-02, 13-3A-01, and 13-3A-02 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 980 Delegate McCray, et al**ELECTION LAW – VOTING RIGHTS – EX–FELONS**

Altering specified qualifications for voter registration; providing that individuals discharged from incarceration are qualified to register to vote; requiring State authorities to notify individuals of their right to vote on release from incarceration, as specified; mandating that the notice include specified information; requiring the State Administrator of Elections to make arrangements with the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to receive monthly reports concerning discharged felons; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

EL, §§ 3-102, 3-204, 3-504, and 16-202 - amended and CP, § 6-234 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 981 Cecil County Delegation**CECIL COUNTY – ORPHANS’ COURT – SESSIONS**

Altering the frequency of the sessions of the Orphans’ Court in Cecil County to be every Tuesday for the transaction of the business of the Court, and more often if need be, according to its own adjournment.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

ET, § 2-106(j) - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 982 Delegate Frush, et al**MARYLAND REDEEMABLE BEVERAGE CONTAINER AND LITTER REDUCTION PROGRAM**

Establishing the Maryland Redeemable Beverage Container and Litter Reduction Program; stating the purpose of the Program; establishing the Maryland Beverage Recycling Organization; establishing the structure and purpose of the Organization; specifying the membership of the Organization; establishing a Board of Directors for the Organization; specifying the composition of the Board; specifying the election, duration of term, and term limits of members of the Board; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

EN, §§ 9-1733 through 9-1743 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)83. - added and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)81. and 82. - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation and Economic Matters

HB 983 Prince George's County Delegation**PRINCE GEORGE'S COMMUNITY COLLEGE – CERTIFIED COUNTY–BASED BUSINESS PARTICIPATION PROGRAM PG 405–15**

Requiring the Board of Trustees of Prince George's Community College to establish and implement a Certified County–Based Business Participation Program to be used in community college procurement; requiring the Board of Trustees to establish goals and requirements for the Program and to consult with the Prince George's County Council in the establishment and implementation of the Program; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

ED, § 16-417.1 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 984 Delegate Oaks, et al**HEPATITIS C – OPPORTUNITY FOR TESTING AND FOLLOW-UP HEALTH CARE**

Requiring hospitals and specified health care practitioners who provide specified care in specified health care facilities to offer, to the extent practicable, specified individuals a hepatitis C screening test or a hepatitis C diagnostic test; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HG, § 18-1003 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 985 Delegate Kelly**LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – FAMILY AND MEDICAL LEAVE INSURANCE PROGRAM – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Family and Medical Leave Insurance Program; providing for the manner in which the Program is to be administered; providing for the powers and duties of the Secretary under the Program; requiring, beginning on January 1, 2016, specified employers and employees to pay the Secretary specified contributions; requiring, beginning on January 1, 2017, an individual to meet specified conditions to be eligible for benefits; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

LE, § 8-302 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)81. and 82. - amended and LE, §§ 8.3-101 through 8.3-901 and SF, § 6-226(a)(2)(ii)83. - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 986 Delegate Bromwell, et al**STATE GOVERNMENT – MARYLAND COMMISSION ON EFFICIENCY IN GOVERNMENT**

Creating the Maryland Commission on Efficiency in Government; specifying the duties of the Commission; providing for the membership, election of a chair, quorum, terms, and reimbursement of members of the Commission; authorizing the appointment of an Executive Director; specifying the duties of the Executive Director; requiring the assignment of an Assistant Attorney General to the Commission for a specified purpose; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

SG, §§ 9-3101 through 9-3111 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 987 Delegate Lam, et al**ENVIRONMENT – AMBIENT AIR QUALITY CONTROL – CUMULATIVE AIR IMPACT ANALYSIS**

Prohibiting the Department of the Environment from issuing a specified air quality permit until specified requirements have been met; prohibiting the Department from recommending specified licensing conditions until specified requirements have been met; requiring the Department to conduct a Cumulative Air Impact Analysis under specified circumstances in accordance with specified requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

EN, §§ 2-1301 through 2-1306 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 988 Delegate Frick**PROCUREMENT – PREVAILING WAGE RATE LAW – PENALTIES AND LIQUIDATED DAMAGES**

Increasing the penalty for specified violations of the prevailing wage rate law related to the posting of specified statements of prevailing wage rates; increasing the amount of liquidated damages for which a contractor is liable for specified violations of the prevailing wage rate law related to specified payroll records; and altering the amount of liquidated damages for which a contractor is liable when specified laborers or other employees are paid less than specified prevailing wage rates.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

SF, §§ 17-219, 17-220, and 17-222 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 989 Delegate McKay, et al**STATE GOVERNMENT – LEGISLATION IMPACTING LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAND USE DECISIONS – ECONOMIC IMPACT ANALYSES**

Requiring specified Executive Branch agencies and the Department of Legislative Services to prepare economic impact analyses for specified bills that impact local government land use decisions; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

SG, § 2-1505.3 - added

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HB 990 Delegate Kelly, et al**MARYLAND HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE – QUALIFIED HEALTH PLANS – STANDARDS**

Altering specified requirements for certification as a qualified health plan in the Maryland Health Benefit Exchange; prohibiting a qualified health plan from using a benefit design or implementing a benefit design in a manner that discriminates in a specified manner; prohibiting specified carriers from making specified formulary changes during a specified period; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

IN, §§ 31-115(b) and (k)(2), 31-116(a), and 31-119(d) - amended and §§ 31-115.1 through 31-115.3 and 31-119(f) - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 991 Delegate Fraser–Hidalgo, et al**INTEREST RATE ON TAX DEFICIENCIES AND REFUNDS**

Changing the calculation of the interest rate on tax deficiencies and refunds to set the interest rate at 11%; repealing a requirement that the Comptroller annually set the interest rate; etc.

EFFECTIVE JANUARY 1, 2016

TG, § 13-604 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 992 Delegate Hixson, et al**PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS – STUDENT DIABETES MANAGEMENT PROGRAM**

Requiring the State Department of Education and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in consultation with specified other organizations, to establish specified guidelines for the training of trained diabetes care providers; providing for the content of the guidelines; requiring each county board of education to require specified public schools to establish a Student Diabetes Management Program in the school; providing that specified nonpublic schools may establish a Student Diabetes Management Program in the school; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

ED, §§ 7-437 and 7-438 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 993 Charles County Delegation**CHARLES COUNTY SHERIFF – ARBITRATION OF COLLECTIVE BARGAINING DISPUTES**

Establishing procedures for arbitration of collective bargaining disputes involving the exclusive representative of sworn law enforcement officers in the Charles County Sheriff's Office; authorizing any party to a collective bargaining agreement to declare a bargaining impasse under specified circumstances; establishing a specified method for selecting an arbitrator; requiring the parties to submit specified memoranda to the arbitrator on or before January 1; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CJ, § 2-309(j)(5) - amended

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 994 Delegate Kaiser, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – BROOKE GROVE REHABILITATION AND NURSING CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$300,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Brooke Grove Foundation, Incorporated for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of a new addition to the Brooke Grove Rehabilitation and Nursing Center, located in Montgomery County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 995 Delegate Hixson, et al**LAWN CARE PESTICIDES – CHILD CARE CENTERS, SCHOOLS, AND RECREATION FACILITIES – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting, with a specified exception, a person from applying a lawn care pesticide on the grounds of specified child care centers, schools, and recreation centers and on specified other recreational fields; authorizing a person to apply a lawn care pesticide in accordance with specified provisions of law if a specified person determines that an emergency application is necessary to eliminate an immediate threat to human health; requiring specified notice and recordkeeping; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

AG, § 5-208.2 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 996 Delegate Long, et al**HOMESTEAD PROPERTY TAX CREDIT – APPLICATION REQUIREMENT – REPEAL**

Repealing a requirement that a homeowner submit a specified application to the Department of Assessments and Taxation to receive the homestead property tax credit; repealing specified deadlines and procedures for filing the application for the homestead property tax credit; repealing a requirement that the Comptroller assist the Department with specified matters relating to applications for the homestead property tax credit; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

TP, § 9-105(d)(1) and (n) - amended and § 9-105(d)(6), (l), and (m) - repealed

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 997 Delegate Hixson, et al**BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON VOTING, OPENNESS, TRANSPARENCY, AND EQUALITY (VOTE) IN ELECTIONS**

Establishing the Blue Ribbon Commission on Voting, Openness, Transparency, and Equality (VOTE) in Elections; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving specified compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of specified expenses; requiring the Commission to study specified matters and make recommendations to the Governor and General Assembly on or before December 31, 2016; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 998 Delegate Jacobs, et al**NATURAL RESOURCES – STRIPED BASS PERMITS – ANNUAL FEES**

Altering the annual fee for the commercial striped bass permit; and providing for the termination of the Act.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

NR, § 4-701(f) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 999 Delegate Cullison, et al**NURSE PRACTITIONER FULL PRACTICE AUTHORITY ACT OF 2015**

Repealing a prohibition against a certified nurse practitioner practicing in the State unless the nurse practitioner has an approved attestation that the nurse practitioner has an agreement for collaboration and consulting with a specified physician and will practice in accordance with specified standards; requiring a nurse practitioner to practice in accordance with specified standards; repealing a requirement that the State Board of Nursing maintain a specified attestation; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HO, § 8-302(b) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1000 Delegate Rosenberg, et al**DNA EVIDENCE – POSTCONVICTION REVIEW**

Expanding the group of persons who may file a specified petition for postconviction DNA testing or a database or log search.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CP, § 8-201(b) - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1001 Delegates Jalisi and Moon**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – BAIL BONDS – RETURN OF DEFENDANT**

Providing that the filing of a specified motion within a specified time limit shall stay a specified matter and preclude the payment of any forfeiture of bail or collateral until a specified time; granting a surety a specified amount of time to pay a forfeiture of bail or collateral on denial of a specified motion; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CP, § 5-208 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1002 Delegate Jacobs, et al**NATURAL RESOURCES – COUNTY OYSTER COMMITTEES – AUTHORITY**

Authorizing a county oyster committee to use funds that the committee receives from the Department of Natural Resources or any other source to purchase oyster shells, seed oysters, or spat-on-shell for use on the public oyster fishery.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

NR, § 4-1106(b) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1003 Delegate Kramer**MOTOR FUEL TAX – DISTRIBUTION OF REVENUE**

Altering the distribution of motor fuel tax revenue; requiring that motor fuel tax revenue attributable to specified motor fuel tax rates be distributed to counties, municipalities, and Baltimore City in a specified manner; requiring that motor fuel tax revenue distributed to counties, municipalities, and Baltimore City be paid at specified times and used in a specified manner; requiring that specified motor fuel tax revenue be distributed to the Transportation Trust Fund; etc.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016

TG, §§ 2-1103 and 2-1104 - amended and § 2-1105 - added and TR, §§ 8-402 and 8-403 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1004 Prince George's County Delegation**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES –
UNDERAGE INDIVIDUALS AT SPECIAL ENTERTAINMENT EVENTS
PG 319–15**

Authorizing a holder of a Class B beer, wine, and liquor license in Prince George's County that obtains a special entertainment permit to allow an individual at least 18 years old to be present on the licensed premises under specified circumstances; and altering the age for admission to specified special entertainment events under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

Art. 2B, § 6-201(r)(2) and (19)(viii) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1005 Delegate Mautz, et al**NATURAL RESOURCES – COMMERCIAL FISHERIES OFFENSES –
STAY OF REVOCATION**

Requiring a presiding officer after a specified administrative finding on specified commercial fisheries offenses related to oysters, crabs, or striped bass to stay a license revocation pending conviction for the offense, unless the presiding officer finds or concludes that the licensee wantonly or willfully committed the offense.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

NR, §§ 4-1210 and 4-1211 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1006 Delegate Cullison, et al**HOSPITALS – DESIGNATION OF CAREGIVERS**

Requiring a hospital to provide a specified patient or the legal guardian of the patient with a specified number of opportunities to designate a caregiver within a specified number of hours after the entrance of the patient to the hospital and before the patient is discharged from the hospital; requiring a hospital to document in a patient's medical record specified information; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HG, §§ 19-380 through 19-385 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1007 Delegate McMillan, et al**REAL PROPERTY – CONDOMINIUMS AND HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATIONS – DISCLOSURES TO PURCHASERS ON RESALE OF UNIT OR LOT – LIMITATION ON FEES**

Limiting the amount of the fee that a condominium council of unit owners may charge a unit owner to furnish a certificate with the information necessary for the unit owner to comply with specified resale disclosure requirements; requiring a homeowners association or specified officers or agents to provide within 20 days after a written request by a unit owner and receipt of a specified fee the information necessary to comply with specified resale disclosure requirements; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

RP, §§ 11-135(c) and 11B-106 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1008 Delegate Mautz, et al**RECREATIONAL HUNTING AND FISHING LICENSE APPLICATIONS – VOTER REGISTRATION**

Requiring the State Board of Elections and the Department of Natural Resources to jointly develop and implement procedures for persons who apply for the issuance or renewal of a recreational hunting or fishing license online to be offered the opportunity to register to vote through a link to Maryland's Online Voter Registration System; and prohibiting the Department of Natural Resources from being deemed a voter registration agency for the purposes of providing, accepting, and forwarding voter registration applications.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

EL, § 3-204(a) - amended and NR, § 1-104(m) - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1009 Delegate Smith, et al**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – IMMUNITY – ALCOHOL– OR DRUG–RELATED MEDICAL EMERGENCIES**

Establishing that the act of seeking assistance by a person who experiences a medical emergency after ingesting or using alcohol or drugs may be used as a mitigating factor in a criminal prosecution of the person; extending the applicability of specified immunity from a criminal arrest charge or prosecution and providing specified immunity when a person is reasonably believed to be experiencing a medical emergency rather than when the person is experiencing a medical emergency; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CP, § 1-210 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1010 Delegate Kelly, et al**HEALTH INSURANCE – FEDERAL AND STATE MENTAL HEALTH AND ADDICTION PARITY LAWS – REPORT ON COMPLIANCE**

Requiring health maintenance organizations, insurers, and nonprofit health service plans that offer specified contracts and health benefit plans to submit to the Maryland Insurance Commissioner a report certifying and outlining how designated contracts and health benefit plans comply with the federal Mental Health Parity and Addiction Equity Act and State mental health and addiction parity laws; requiring the report to be submitted on specified dates by a specified person and to include specified information; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HG, § 19-703.2 and IN, § 15-802.1 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1011 Delegate Szeliga, et al**HEALTH GENERAL – BIRTH CERTIFICATES – ISSUANCE OF COPIES**

Authorizing the issuance of a certified or an abridged copy of a birth certificate to an adult child of the individual to whom the record relates.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HG, § 4-217(b) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1012 Delegate Rosenberg**HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE AND RENTER'S INSURANCE –
ADJUSTMENT AND SETTLEMENT PRACTICES**

Requiring insurers that provide homeowner's insurance and renter's insurance in the State to employ specified adjusters in the State for specified purposes; prohibiting an adjuster who is employed by an insurer from making specified representations; prohibiting a public adjuster whom a specified insurer engages from making specified representations; prohibiting a specified insurer from misrepresenting or allowing specified adjusters to misrepresent a specified relationship; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

IN, § 19-111.1 - added and §§ 27-303 and 27-304 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1013 Delegate Carter, et al**CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – ORPHANS' COURT JUDGES –
ELECTION AND TERM LIMITS**

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to require a judge of the Orphans' Court to hold the office for a term of 8 years; providing for a judge of the Orphans' Court to be elected by specified voters at the general election; establishing that a judge of the Orphans' Court shall hold the office from the judge's election until a successor is elected and qualified; and submitting the amendment to the qualified voters of the State for their adoption or rejection.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. IV, § 40A - added and Art. XVII, § 3 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary and Ways and Means

HB 1014 Delegate Jalisi, et al**HIGHER EDUCATION – SEXUAL ASSAULT DISCIPLINARY
PROCEEDINGS – PRESENCE OF ATTORNEY OR NONATTORNEY
ADVOCATE**

Requiring specified institutions of higher education to allow specified students and specified student organizations to be represented by specified licensed attorneys or specified nonattorney advocates in specified disciplinary proceedings relating to sexual assault under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

ED, § 11-602 - added

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1015 Delegate Rosenberg**PUBLIC HEALTH – RESPONSIBLE TOBACCO RETAILING ACT OF 2015**

Establishing the Responsible Tobacco Retailing Program in the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene; repealing specified exemptions from licensure for specified retailers of specified tobacco products; increasing specified licensure fees for specified retailers of specified tobacco products; etc.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

HG, §§ 24-1701 through 24-1708 and BR, §§ 16.5-104 and 16.5-205(f) - added and BR, Various Sections - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters and Health and Government Operations

HB 1016 Montgomery County Delegation and Prince George's County Delegation**MARYLAND–NATIONAL CAPITAL PARK AND PLANNING COMMISSION – PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – CERTIFIED COUNTY–BASED BUSINESS PARTICIPATION PROGRAM MC/PG 113–15**

Requiring the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission, in consultation with the governing body of Prince George's County, to establish a Certified County–Based Business Participation Program for a specified purpose; authorizing the Commission to use specified incentives and bonuses to achieve the designated goals of the Program; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

LU, §§ 15-401 through 15-404 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1017 Delegate Parrott, et al**ELECTION LAW – QUALIFICATION OF VOTERS – PROOF OF IDENTITY**

Requiring an election judge to establish a voter's identity and verify the voter's address if the voter seeks to vote a regular ballot; requiring an election judge to qualify a voter by requesting the voter to present a current government–issued photo identification; requiring an election judge to authorize an individual to vote a regular ballot; allowing a voter who is unable to present a specified form of identification to vote by provisional ballot under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

EL, §§ 10-310 and 16-201 and TR, § 12-301(b) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1018 Delegate Hixson, et al**ELECTION LAW – EARLY VOTING CENTERS AND POLLING PLACES
– WAITING TIMES TO VOTE**

Stating the intent of the General Assembly that no voter should have to wait more than 30 minutes to vote at an early voting center or polling place; stating the intent of the General Assembly that the State Board of Elections and local boards of elections take every possible action to ensure that voters casting ballots at early voting centers and polling places are able to complete the entire voting process within 30 minutes; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

EL, § 10-310.1 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1019 Delegate Fraser–Hidalgo, et al**FARMERS’ RIGHTS ACT**

Establishing requirements for the form and content of specified livestock production contracts; requiring livestock production contracts to be reviewed by the Attorney General; establishing that contract producers have specified rights; prohibiting specified contractors from engaging in or allowing their employees or agents to engage in specified practices; establishing specified civil and criminal penalties for violation of the Act; providing for enforcement of the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CL, §§ 24-101 through 24-902 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1020 Delegate Sample–Hughes**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – WICOMICO COUNTY – TRI-COUNTY
COUNCIL MULTI-PURPOSE CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$250,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Tri-County Council for the Lower Eastern Shore of Maryland for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Tri-County Council Multi-Purpose Center, located in Wicomico County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1021 Delegate Pendergrass, et al**RICHARD E. ISRAEL AND ROGER “PIP” MOYER DEATH WITH DIGNITY ACT**

Authorizing a qualified patient to request aid in dying by making specified requests; prohibiting an individual from requesting aid in dying on behalf of a patient; requiring a written request for aid in dying to meet specified requirements; establishing specified requirements for witnesses to a written request for aid in dying; requiring a written request for aid in dying to be in a specified form; requiring an attending physician who receives a written request for aid in dying to make a specified determination; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CR, § 3-103 - amended and HG, §§ 5-6A-01 through 5-6A-16 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations and Judiciary

HB 1022 Delegate C. Wilson, et al**STATE GOVERNMENT – OFFICE OF THE CHILD WELFARE OMBUDSMAN – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Office of the Child Welfare Ombudsman in the Office of the Attorney General; providing for the purpose and staffing of the Office; providing for the appointment, qualifications, term, and salary of the Child Welfare Ombudsman; requiring the Ombudsman to be a full-time State employee; authorizing the Attorney General to remove the Ombudsman under specified circumstances; providing that the Office shall include specified staff; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

SG, §§ 6-501 through 6-511 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1023 Delegate A. Miller, et al**PUBLIC SCHOOLS – THIRSTY KIDS ACT**

Requiring each public school to make available free, unlimited, potable drinking water for each student throughout the school day, include a reusable water bottle on the school supplies list for each student in kindergarten through grade 12, and provide specified cups for drinking water in specified locations; and requiring the State Department of Education to encourage each county board to develop a plan to promote the consumption of drinking water, the use of reusable water bottles, and weekly cleaning of water bottles.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

ED, § 7-437 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1024 Delegate Saab, et al**PUBLIC SAFETY – RENEWAL OF HANDGUN PERMITS – FINGERPRINTING**

Specifying that a person who applies for the renewal of a handgun permit is not required to be fingerprinted except under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

PS, § 5-309(b) - amended and § 5-309(c) - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1025 Delegates Folden and Cluster**SCHOOL VEHICLES – RIGHT TURN ON RED – PROHIBITION**

Repealing specified authority of a school vehicle to make a right turn, or a left turn from a one-way street onto a one-way street, after stopping at a steady red signal.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

TR, § 21-202(i) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1026 Delegate Pena–Melnik, et al**COMMUNITY MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES – TELEMENTAL HEALTH SERVICES – PSYCHIATRIC NURSE PRACTITIONERS**

Requiring that regulations adopted by the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene under a specified provision of law allow psychiatric nurse practitioners to provide and receive reimbursement from State and federal funds for telemental health services.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

HG, § 10-901(d) - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1027 Delegate Glenn, et al**LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – OVERWORK PROHIBITION ACT**

Requiring an employer to pay an employee a specified overtime wage for specified hours worked; prohibiting an employer from requiring an employee to work specified hours except under specified circumstances; authorizing an employee to decline an employer's request to work more than a specified number of consecutive days, more than a specified number of hours during a workweek, or during specified hours; requiring the Commissioner of Labor and Industry to enter a place of employment for specified purposes; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

LE, §§ 2-106(b), 3-102(a), and 3-415 - amended and §§ 3-103(k) and 3-1301 through 3-1310 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1028 Delegate Branch, et al**BUSINESS OCCUPATIONS AND PROFESSIONS – REAL ESTATE SALESPERSONS AND BROKERS – FORMATION OF BUSINESS ENTITIES AND PAYMENT OF COMMISSIONS**

Authorizing specified licensed real estate salespersons and licensed associate real estate brokers, with the consent of a specified licensed real estate broker, to form a specified business entity; authorizing payment of compensation for the provision of real estate brokerage services to a specified business entity under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

BOP, §§ 17-512 and 17-604 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1029 Delegate Haynes, et al**PUBLIC HEALTH – SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS**

Requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to adopt regulations setting standards that use the American Society of Addiction Medicine criteria for treatment, care, and rehabilitation of individuals with a substance use disorder.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HG, § 8-402 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1030 Delegate Cullison, et al**2–1–1 MARYLAND – PROCUREMENT OF SERVICES TO OPERATE A PUBLIC INFORMATION TELEPHONE LINE OR HOTLINE**

Requiring specified units of the State that provide health and human services to procure the services of 2–1–1 Maryland to operate public information telephone lines or hotlines in accordance with specified provisions of law unless the unit makes specified determinations and provides specified documentation to 2–1–1 Maryland; authorizing the Board of Public Works to adopt specified regulations; and providing for the prospective application of the Act.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HG, § 24-1203(d) and SF, § 14-103 - amended and SF, § 14-111 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1031 Delegate A. Washington, et al**GOVERNOR’S OFFICE FOR CHILDREN – LET’S PLAY MARYLAND PILOT PROGRAM**

Establishing the Let’s Play Maryland Pilot Program in the Governor’s Office for Children; specifying the purpose of the Program; specifying eligibility requirements for participation in the Program; authorizing the Office, beginning on July 1, 2016, to award grants to sports organizations or leagues under the Program; requiring the Governor to include in the annual budget for fiscal year 2017 and fiscal year 2018 a \$500,000 appropriation for the Program; providing for the termination of the Act; etc.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

HU, §§ 8-1201 through 8-1209 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1032 Delegate Jackson, et al**PUBLIC SAFETY – TRANSPORT OF WEAPONS ON SCHOOL PROPERTY – RETIRED LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS**

Providing that a specified prohibition on carrying or possessing a specified weapon on public school property does not include a specified retired law enforcement officer who is a parent, guardian, or visitor of a student attending a school located on the public school property.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CR, § 4-102 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1033 Delegate Luedtke, et al**PUBLIC AND NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS – SEXUAL AND PHYSICAL ABUSE NOTIFICATION AND PREVENTION**

Requiring local law enforcement agencies to notify county superintendents and employees of nonpublic schools if specified employees or specified other adults working on school property are arrested for specified crimes within 1 business day of the arrest; requiring a county superintendent and employees of nonpublic schools to notify parents and employees of a specified arrest within 5 business days of being informed of the arrest, subject to a specified exception; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

ED, § 7-437 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary and Ways and Means

HB 1034 Prince George's County Delegation**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY – PUBLIC ETHICS – GOVERNING BODIES OF MUNICIPAL CORPORATIONS EXERCISING ZONING AUTHORITY PG 420–15**

Altering the definitions of “candidate” and “member” for the purpose of applying specified public ethics requirements regarding payments and ex parte communications made during the pendency of specified land use applications to specified candidates for and members of the governing bodies of specified municipal corporations in Prince George's County.

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

GP, § 5-833(f) and (l) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1035 Delegate Oaks (By Request – Baltimore City Administration), et al**BALTIMORE CITY – TAX SALES**

Requiring the tax collector in Baltimore City to withhold property from a tax sale when the taxes on the property are under \$500; altering the time at which a holder of a certificate of sale may file to foreclose a right of redemption in Baltimore City; altering the time at which a notice of intent to foreclose the right of redemption on property in Baltimore City may be sent; authorizing an owner of property in Baltimore City to request the holder of a certificate of sale to provide specified information; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

TP, §§ 14-811, 14-833, 14-843, 14-844, and 14-849.1 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1036 Delegate Jacobs, et al**NATURAL RESOURCES – OYSTER POACHING – ADMINISTRATIVE PENALTIES**

Altering the administrative penalties that apply to a person for knowingly committing specified offenses related to oyster poaching by authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to suspend the person's oyster license for a first offense; and clarifying that any of specified oyster poaching offenses qualifies as a second or subsequent offense for specified purposes under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

NR, § 4-1210 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1037 Delegate Zucker, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – DAMASCUS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$100,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of The Damascus Volunteer Fire Department, Incorporated for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Damascus Volunteer Fire Department building, located in Montgomery County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1038 Delegate Shoemaker, et al**VEHICLE LAWS – SPEED MONITORING, WORK ZONE SPEED CONTROL, AND TRAFFIC CONTROL SIGNAL MONITORING SYSTEMS – REPEAL**

Repealing the authority to use work zone speed control systems to enforce specified highway speed laws within work zones; requiring the publishers of the Annotated code of Maryland in consultation with and subject to the approval of the Department of Legislative Services, to correct any references throughout the Annotated Code that are rendered incorrect by the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

TR, § 21-810 - repealed

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1039 Wicomico County Delegation**WICOMICO COUNTY – ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – MICRO-BREWERIES – ANNUAL PRODUCTION LIMIT**

Increasing to 45,000 the limit in Wicomico County on the number of barrels of malt beverages that a micro-brewery may collectively brew, bottle, or contract for in a calendar year.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

Art. 2B, § 2-208(c)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1040 Wicomico County Delegation**WICOMICO COUNTY – BOARD OF EDUCATION**

Requiring that members of the Wicomico County Board of Education be elected and appointed, as specified; providing for a student member of the county board; establishing the composition of the county board; providing for the qualifications, terms of office, and the filling of a vacancy for the members of the county board; establishing removal, hearing, and appeal procedures for members of the county board; submitting the Act to the legally qualified voters of Wicomico County for their approval or rejection; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

CONTINGENT – EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

ED, §§ 3-105 and 3-114 - amended and §§ 3-13A-01 through 3-13A-03 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1041 Delegate Fisher, et al**PUBLIC HEALTH – OPIOIDS TIME-LOCK DISPENSER PILOT PROGRAM**

Requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to establish a specified opioids time-lock dispenser pilot program; requiring the Secretary to adopt specified regulations to carry out the pilot program; prohibiting the regulations from requiring that an individual pay a fee in order to get a time-lock dispenser; requiring the Secretary to submit a report annually to the Governor and the General Assembly on the progress of the pilot program; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HG, § 8-4A-01 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1042 Delegate Stein**ENVIRONMENT – NITROGEN OXIDE EMISSIONS – POLLUTION AND COMBUSTION CONTROL TECHNOLOGIES**

Prohibiting specified nitrogen oxide emissions rates for specified affected electric generating units from exceeding specified amounts; requiring the owner or operator of an affected electric generating unit to submit a specified plan for approval to the Department of the Environment and the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on or before November 15, 2015; requiring that the plan include specified information; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

EN, §§ 2-10A-01 through 2-10A-07 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1043 Delegate Parrott, et al**ENVIRONMENT – ON-SITE SEWAGE DISPOSAL SYSTEM – NITROGEN REMOVAL TECHNOLOGY – EXEMPTION**

Authorizing a person to install, replace, or have installed or replaced, a specified on-site sewage disposal system that does not utilize specified nitrogen removal technology on specified property located outside the Chesapeake and Atlantic Coastal Bays Critical Area; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

EN, § 9-1108(b) and (e) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1044 Delegate Holmes, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – PRINCE GEORGE’S COUNTY –
FAMILY LIFE AND WELLNESS INTERGENERATIONAL CENTER**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$500,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Richard Allen Community Development Corporation for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Family Life and Wellness Intergenerational Center, located in Prince George’s County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1045 Delegate Beitzel, et al**HUNTING – USE OF MOTORIZED VEHICLES – WOUNDED OR
DISABLED MILITARY**

Authorizing a person who is a wounded or service-connected disabled member of the armed forces or a service-connected disabled veteran to use while hunting an off-road vehicle or a motorized wheelchair to go to or from a hunting stand or location or to retrieve game; and requiring regulations adopted by the Secretary of Natural Resources to authorize the operation in a specified manner of off-road vehicles or motorized wheelchairs on property owned or controlled by the Department of Natural Resources.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

NR, §§ 5-209(b)(1) and 10-410(d) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1046 Delegate B. Wilson**CRIMES – SOLICITATION TO COMMIT MURDER OR ARSON –
STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS**

Providing that the statute of limitations for the crime of solicitation to commit murder in the first degree, murder in the second degree, arson in the first degree, or arson in the second degree is the statute of limitations for the prosecution of the substantive crime that is the subject of the solicitation.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CJ, § 5-106(ff) - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1047 Delegate Smith, et al**ENTERPRISE ZONE INCOME TAX CREDIT – ECONOMICALLY DISADVANTAGED INDIVIDUALS – QUALIFIED EX–FELONS**

Altering the definition of “economically disadvantaged individual” to include specified ex–felons for the purpose of the State income tax credit authorized for business entities that hire specified economically disadvantaged individuals in enterprise zones; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2014; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

TG, § 10-702(a) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1048 Delegate Gilchrist, et al**VEHICLE LAWS – DRIVERS’ EDUCATION – LICENSING**

Requiring that specified fines, revocations, suspensions, or refusals to grant or renew a license for drivers’ schools and driving instructors take effect 30 days after the Motor Vehicle Administration provides notice of the sanction to the applicant or licensee; authorizing the applicant or licensee to remedy the underlying violation that led to the Administration imposing the sanction within the 30–day time period; requiring the Administration to void the sanction if the sanction is remedied; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

TR, §§ 15-710 and 15-807 - amended and §§ 15-711 and 15-808 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1049 Delegate Hixson, et al**VOTER REGISTRATION ACT OF 2015**

Requiring specified voter registration agencies to implement a fully automated voter registration system on or before July 1, 2016; requiring specified voter registration agencies to submit specified reports to specified committees of the General Assembly on or before specified dates that include specified information about the work of the voter registration agencies to register voters; requiring public institutions of higher education to implement a fully automated voter registration system on or before July 1, 2016; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

EL, § 3-204 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1050 Delegate Jalisi**INSURANCE – BAIL BONDSMEN – INSTALLMENT AGREEMENTS**

Establishing a minimum 35% required down payment in connection with specified bail bond installment agreements; providing a maximum term of 15 months for the agreements; requiring a specified bail bondsman to file a civil action for specified relief under specified circumstances; and qualifying the actions that a bail bondsman shall take with respect to specified collections by requiring the bail bondsman to make specified efforts to obtain judgment under specified circumstances.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

IN, § 10-309 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary and Economic Matters

HB 1051 Delegate Valderrama, et al**LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – EQUAL PAY FOR EQUAL WORK**

Altering a specified provision of law concerning equal pay for equal work to prohibit discrimination on the basis of gender identity; prohibiting an employer from discriminating between employees in any occupation by providing less favorable employment opportunities based on sex or gender identity; prohibiting an employer from taking specified actions concerning the disclosure or discussion of an employee's wages; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

LE, §§ 3-304, 3-306, and 3-307 - amended and § 3-304.1 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1052 Delegate Morales**CRIMES – RAPE AND SEXUAL OFFENSES – CONSENT**

Providing a definition for “consent” as used in provisions of law prohibiting specified sexual crimes; establishing that for specified purposes consent may not be imputed under specified circumstances; providing that for specified purposes consent may be withdrawn at any time; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CR, § 3-301 - amended and § 3-301.1 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1053 Delegate Jacobs, et al**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE – WORKGROUP TO EVALUATE MENTAL HEALTH CARE DELIVERY ON THE EASTERN SHORE**

Requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to convene a workgroup to evaluate and make findings and recommendations regarding the state of mental health care delivery on the Eastern Shore of Maryland; requiring the workgroup to include specified individuals; requiring the Department to report the findings and recommendations of the workgroup to specified committees of the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2015; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1054 Delegates Folden and Cluster**CRIMINAL LAW – THREAT AGAINST STATE OR LOCAL OFFICIAL – LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER**

Making it a misdemeanor to knowingly and willfully make a threat to take the life of, kidnap, or cause physical injury to a law enforcement officer; imposing specified penalties; and defining a term.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CR, § 3-708 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1055 Delegate Oaks, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – ORIANDA MANSION PRESERVATION**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Trustees of the Baltimore Chesapeake Bay Outward Bound Center, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Orianda Mansion, located in Baltimore City; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1056 Delegate Vaughn, et al**REAL ESTATE BROKERS AND SALESPERSONS – CONTINUING EDUCATION – REQUIREMENTS**

Repealing a provision of law that requires specified licensed realtors to complete fewer overall clock hours of continuing education instruction than are generally required during specified licensing periods; requiring that specified mandated subject matter for continuing education courses be taken by a licensee during each licensing period; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

BOP, § 17-315(a) and (b) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1057 Delegate Carter**CRIMINAL LAW – SYNTHETIC CANNABINOIDS – PROHIBITION**

Authorizing a specified authorized provider to conduct research in the State with specified controlled dangerous substances not scheduled under federal law under specified circumstances; listing synthetic cannabinoids on Schedule I to designate controlled dangerous substances that may not be legally used, possessed, or distributed; defining a specified term; requiring the Department of State Police to report to the General Assembly on or before July 1, 2016; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CR, §§ 5-101(ff), 5-304, and 5-402(d) - amended and § 5-101(ff) - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1058 Delegate Carter, et al**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – EXPUNGEMENT – NONVIOLENT CONVICTIONS**

Authorizing a person to file a petition for expungement of a specified record if the person was convicted of a specified nonviolent crime; specifying that a petition for expungement under the Act may not be filed before satisfactory completion of the sentence, including probation; providing that a determination as to whether a person is entitled to expungement under the Act is within the discretion of the court; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CP, § 10-105 - amended

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1059 Delegate D. Barnes, et al**CRIMINAL PROCEDURE – MARYLAND UNIFORM COLLATERAL CONSEQUENCES OF CONVICTION ACT**

Requiring the Attorney General to take specified steps to identify, collect, and publish in a specified manner laws that impose a specified collateral sanction on a person who is convicted of a specified offense; requiring a State's Attorney to provide specified information to a person charged with an offense; requiring a court to confirm that a specified notice has been received and is understood by a specified person; providing that a new collateral sanction may be imposed only by a specified procedure; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

CP, §§ 10-301 through 10-317 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1060 Delegate Luedtke**SPECIAL EDUCATION – INDIVIDUALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAM FACILITATED MEETINGS**

Requiring each local school system to offer the services of an independent facilitator to specified parents and school personnel; authorizing specified parents and school personnel to request the participation of an independent facilitator in a specified meeting; requiring specified parents and school personnel to be offered an opportunity to resolve a specified disagreement in a meeting with an independent facilitator before a specified mediation or due process hearing; and defining "independent facilitator".

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

ED, § 8-405 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1061 Delegate Barkley, et al**ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES – ISSUANCE OF CLASS A LICENSES**

Increasing, subject to specified conditions, to two the number of Class A alcoholic beverages licenses that may be issued in the State to any individual for a specified use; and clarifying that, with a specified exception, no more than one license may be issued in any single county or Baltimore City to an individual or to an establishment that derives less than 85% of revenue from the sale of alcoholic beverages.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

Art. 2B, §§ 9-102(a)(1) and 9-107 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1062 Delegate K. Young**STATE BOARD OF MORTICIANS AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS –
FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENTS – CARE AND CUSTODY OF HUMAN
REMAINS**

Requiring that care and custody by a funeral establishment begins and ends when specified activities occur for human remains intended for final disposition by interment at a cemetery, final disposition by cremation, or final disposition outside the State; and defining “care and custody”.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HO, § 7-410.1 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1063 Delegate Luedtke, et al**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – MONTGOMERY COUNTY – OLNEY
MANOR DOG PARK**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$50,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Maryland–National Capital Park and Planning Commission for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Olney Manor Dog Park, located in Montgomery County; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1064 Delegate Hixson, et al**ELECTION LAW – AUDITS OF ELECTION RESULTS**

Requiring a local board of canvassers to complete specified ballot accounting, reconciliation, and tabulation audit procedures in a specified manner before certifying the results of an election; requiring the State Board of Elections to adopt specified regulations relating to ballot accounting and reconciliation procedures; requiring that a tabulation audit be conducted of at least specified contests in specified elections; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

EL, §§ 11-308 and 12-106 - amended and § 11-309 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1065 Delegate Hixson, et al**SALES AND USE TAX – TAXABLE PRICE – ACCOMMODATIONS**

Clarifying the definition of “taxable price” for the State sales and use tax as it applies to the sale or use of an accommodation facilitated by an accommodations intermediary; altering the definition of “vendor” under the State sales and use tax to include an accommodations intermediary; defining specified terms; and making a conforming change.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

TG, § 11-101(a-1), (a-2), (a-3), (a-4), and (l)(5) - added and § 11-101(k)(1) and (o)(1) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1066 Delegate Hornberger**LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – NONDISCLOSURE AGREEMENTS – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting specified employers from including a specified nondisclosure agreement in specified documents, requiring an employee to enter into a nondisclosure agreement, or establishing an expectation with an employee that a specified relationship exists with respect to specified information.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

LE, § 3-714 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1067 Delegate Glenn, et al**PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION – MEMBERSHIP – SELECTION AND TERM**

Specifying requirements for the nonpartisan election of a member of the Public Service Commission; specifying that specified party affiliation requirements do not apply to a candidate for a position on the Commission; specifying that specified nomination and election procedures apply to the nomination and election of specified members of the Public Service Commission, subject to specified exceptions; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

EL, § 5-203 and PU, § 2-102 - amended and EL, §§ 8-901 through 8-906 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1068 Delegate K. Young**NATALIE M. LAPRADE MEDICAL MARIJUANA COMMISSION –
NONRESIDENT CARDHOLDERS**

Requiring the Natalie M. LaPrade Medical Marijuana Commission to issue, in a specified manner, a specified confirmation of registration to a nonresident cardholder within a specified time period under specified circumstances; requiring the Commission to adopt specified regulations; providing that a nonresident cardholder may obtain medical marijuana only from specified growers and dispensaries; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HG, §§ 13-3301, 13-3302, 13-3307, and 13-3313 - amended

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1069 Delegates Rosenberg and Kaiser**EDUCATION – PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT FOR TEACHERS
AND PROVIDERS OF EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION – MASTER
PLAN**

Requiring the State Department of Education, in collaboration with the Maryland Higher Education Commission, to develop a specified master plan that focuses on specified issues relating to qualified providers of early childhood education services; providing for the contents of a specified master plan; requiring the Department and the Commission to submit a specified plan and specified recommendations to the Governor and specified Committee of the General Assembly on or before December 31, 2015; etc.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1070 Delegate Vitale, et al**GENERAL ASSEMBLY – FILLING OF VACANCY**

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution to provide that a vacancy occurring in the House of Delegates or the Senate of Maryland during a specified period of the term of office shall be filled at the next ensuing regular presidential and congressional election; establishing procedures for the election; submitting this amendment to the qualified voters of the State of Maryland for their adoption or rejection; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. III, §§ 6, 7, and 13 and Art. XVII, §§ 1, 2, and 3 - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1071 Delegate Hill, et al**CIRCUIT COURT JUDGES – ELECTION, QUALIFICATIONS, AND TERM OF OFFICE**

Proposing an amendment to the Maryland Constitution relating to the selection and tenure of circuit court judges; altering the method of filling vacancies in the office of a judge of a circuit court; providing for a retention election following an appointment to fill a vacancy in the office of a judge of a circuit court; altering the term of office of circuit court judges from 15 years to 10 years; etc.

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT – CONTINGENT

Maryland Constitution, Art. IV, §§ 2, 3, 5A, 11, and 21(a) - amended, § 5, 18B, and 21A - repealed, and Art. XVIII, § 6 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary and Ways and Means

HB 1072 Delegate W. Miller, et al**LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT – DISCRIMINATION BASED ON ENGAGEMENT IN LAWFUL ACTIVITIES – PROHIBITION**

Prohibiting, under specified circumstances, an employer from failing or refusing to hire, discharging, or otherwise discriminating against an applicant or employee on the basis of the applicant's or employee's engagement in a lawful activity off the employer's premises during nonworking hours; authorizing an applicant or employee aggrieved by a violation of the Act to file a civil action against the employer to obtain specified relief; providing for a specified limitations period for filing an action under the Act; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

CJ, § 5-105 - amended and LE, § 3-1301 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1073 Delegate Lam, et al**ENVIRONMENT – CRUDE OIL RAIL TRANSPORT – RISK ASSESSMENT AND ACCIDENT PREVENTION STUDY**

Requiring the Department of the Environment and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to jointly study the potential risks and impacts to the State in the event of a crude oil spill during rail transport in the State; requiring the Department of the Environment and the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to establish specified plans as part of the joint study; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1074 Delegate Kipke, et al**COMPLIMENTARY HUNTING LICENSE FOR FORMER PRISONERS OF WAR OR DISABLED VETERANS – RECIPROCITY**

Authorizing the Department of Natural Resources to issue a lifetime complimentary hunter's license to an out-of-state person who certifies that the person is a former prisoner of war or 100% service connected disabled American veteran if the person's state of residence extends similar privileges to former prisoners of war or 100% service connected disabled American veterans of this State.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

NR, § 10-303 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1075 Delegate Morhaim**AGRICULTURE – ANTIBIOTIC DRUG USAGE – FOOD-PRODUCING ANIMALS**

Prohibiting a person from administering an antibiotic drug to a food-producing animal under specified circumstances; requiring the State Department of Agriculture to establish by regulation a specified program; requiring regulations adopted by the Department to include specified provisions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

AG, § 3-1001 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1076 Delegate Parrott, et al**ELECTION LAW – VOTER REGISTRATION AND ABSENTEE VOTING – PROOF OF CITIZENSHIP**

Requiring individuals who apply to register to vote after June 30, 2015, to submit proof of United States citizenship; providing that individuals who are not citizens of the United States are not qualified to be registered voters; requiring an applicant for voter registration to submit specified documents or information to prove United States citizenship; etc.

Preliminary analysis: local government mandate

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

EL, §§ 3-102, 3-202, 3-501, and 9-305 - amended and § 3-103 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1077 Delegate Fraser–Hidalgo, et al**PRIVILEGED COMMUNICATIONS – CRITICAL INCIDENT STRESS MANAGEMENT SERVICES**

Prohibiting a critical incident stress management team member from disclosing specified communications or information acquired from a law enforcement officer, a correctional officer, or an emergency responder in the course of providing critical incident stress management services; prohibiting a critical incident stress management team member from being compelled to testify in specified proceedings or investigations; establishing exceptions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CJ, § 9-125 - added

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1078 Delegate Frush, et al**VEHICLE LAW – DEALERS’ FACILITIES – INTERNET LOCATIONS**

Defining “dealer’s facility” and “dealership facility” to include any Internet location where a dealer conducts the business authorized by its license, for purposes of specified prohibitions on the coercion of motor vehicle dealers by motor vehicle manufacturers, distributors, and factory branches.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

TR, § 15-207(a) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1079 Delegate Shoemaker, et al**EDUCATION – MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT REQUIREMENT – ALTERATIONS**

Removing the requirement that the maintenance of effort amount increase by a specified amount under specified circumstances; requiring county governing bodies to exclude the cost of a fixed term lease for a specified school facility from the maintenance of effort calculation under specified circumstances; prohibiting specified appropriations not excluded as specified nonrecurring costs from being included in calculating a county’s highest local appropriation under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

ED, § 5-202(d)(1), (3), (5) and (6) - amended

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1080 Delegate Pena–Melnik, et al**9–1–1 EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM – MULTIPLE–LINE TELEPHONE SYSTEMS – DIRECT DIAL (KARI’S LAW)**

Requiring that, on or before December 31, 2015, a person that installs or operates a multiple–line telephone system ensures that the system is connected to the public switched telephone network in such a way that an individual dialing 9–1–1 is connected to the public safety answering point without requiring the individual to dial any other number or set of numbers; and defining a specified term.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

PS, § 1-314 - added

Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

HB 1081 Delegate A. Miller, et al**EDUCATION – ORANGE RIBBON FOR HEALTHY SCHOOL HOURS – ESTABLISHMENT**

Establishing the Orange Ribbon for Healthy School Hours certification within the State Department of Education beginning in the 2016–2017 school year; providing that the purpose of the Orange Ribbon for Healthy School Hours certification is to recognize local school systems that create, implement, and enforce school start times that are consistent with the school start times recommended by the Department, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, and the American Academy of Pediatrics; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

ED, § 7-121 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1082 Delegate McKay, et al**LANDLORD AND TENANT – SECURITY DEPOSIT – USE FOR UNPAID WATER AND SEWER BILLS**

Authorizing a landlord to withhold all or part of a security deposit under a residential lease for unpaid water and sewer bills if water and sewer bills are required to be paid by the tenant under the lease; making conforming changes to provisions relating to purchasing a surety bond instead of paying all or part of a security deposit; altering the definition of “security deposit”; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

RP, § 8-203(a), (f)(1)(i), and (i)(2)(i), (4), and (6) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1083 Delegate Dumais, et al**CHILD CUSTODY – LEGAL DECISION MAKING AND PARENTING TIME**

Repealing references to the terms “child custody” and “visitation” in specified instances and substituting the terms “legal decision making” and “parenting time” in specified instances; requiring the court, in determining the appropriate allocation of legal decision making or parenting time between the parties, to consider specified factors; authorizing the court to consider specified factors; specifying that specified factors are not relevant, except under specified circumstances; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

FL, Various Sections - amended, added, and repealed

Assigned to: Judiciary

HB 1084 Delegate Pena–Melnyk, et al**BUSINESS AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – MARYLAND DESIGN EXCELLENCE COMMISSION**

Establishing the Maryland Design Excellence Commission; providing for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving specified compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of specified expenses; requiring the Commission to study, develop specified plans and programs, and establish specified events regarding design excellence initiatives; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

EC, §§ 10-468 through 10-470 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1085 Delegate Long, et al**INCOME TAX – SUBTRACTION MODIFICATION – QUALIFIED MARYLAND TOLL EXPENSES**

Allowing a subtraction modification under the Maryland income tax for specified tolls paid through the use of the E-ZPass Maryland program; requiring a taxpayer to submit specified documentation to qualify for the subtraction modification; defining specified terms; applying the Act to taxable years beginning after December 31, 2014; etc.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

TG, § 10-208(v) - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1086 Delegate Lam, et al**SPEED MONITORING SYSTEMS – LOCAL DESIGNEES – HEARING AND APPROVAL**

Making a local jurisdiction's designation of an official or employee to investigate and respond to questions or concerns about the local jurisdiction's speed monitoring system program subject to the approval of the governing body of the local jurisdiction following a public hearing.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

TR, § 21-809(b)(1)(ix) - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1087 Delegate Clippinger, et al**ELECTRICITY – COMMUNITY SOLAR ENERGY GENERATING SYSTEM PROGRAM**

Establishing a Program on community solar energy generating systems under the authority of the Public Service Commission; providing for the structure and operation of the Program, including the generation of electricity and allocation of costs to system subscribers; authorizing an electric company to submit a petition to own and operate a community solar energy generating system to the Commission; authorizing the Commission to approve a petition if the Commission makes a specified determination; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

PU, § 7-306.1 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1088 Delegate Ebersole, et al**ELECTION LAW – CAMPAIGN FINANCE – COORDINATED EXPENDITURES BETWEEN CANDIDATES AND OUTSIDE SPENDING ORGANIZATIONS**

Prohibiting coordinated expenditures between candidates and outside spending organizations, as specified; specifying parameters, limitations, and exceptions regarding coordinated expenditures between candidates and outside spending organizations; specifying penalties; providing for the joint and several liability of specified persons for penalties; requiring that specified penalties imposed and collected be deposited in the Fair Campaign Financing Fund; defining terms; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

EL, § 1-101(o) - amended and § 13-248 - added

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1089 Delegate Beitzel, et al**ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT – RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM AND ONE MARYLAND TAX CREDIT**

Establishing the Rural Economic Development Program to encourage businesses to locate and expand in the rural counties of the State; providing that for 10 taxable years after a business is designated as a qualified business under the Program, the business is eligible for a specified property tax exemption, income tax subtraction modification, and sales and use tax exemption; establishing the Rural Economic Development Program Infrastructure Fund as a special, nonlapsing fund to be used to make grants to specified counties; etc. This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

EC, §§ 5-1501 through 5-1503, TG, §§ 10-207(cc) and 11-232, and TP, § 7-245 - added and EC, § 6-401 and TG, § 10-307(g) - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters and Ways and Means

HB 1090 Delegate Glenn, et al**PUBLIC HEALTH – RESTAURANTS – MEALS FOR CHILDREN**

Limiting the types of beverages that a restaurant may include in the price of a children's menu of meal options or a meal that is represented as a child's meal; and authorizing a restaurant to offer specified beverages to minors for a charge.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HG, § 21-304.3 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1091 Delegate Beitzel, et al**OPEN SPACE INCENTIVE PROGRAM – PAYMENTS TO COUNTIES**

Repealing specified provisions that provide counties with a percentage of revenues derived from a State forest or park reserve and concession operations within a county; requiring specified payments to counties for State forests, parks, and wildlife management areas that are exempt from the property tax; providing for a payment of \$250,000 for each open space unit in the county beginning in fiscal year 2017; establishing the manner of determining which land is considered in determining the amount of the payment; etc.

This bill requires a mandated appropriation in the annual budget bill.

EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

NR, §§ 5-212 and 5-212.1 - amended and TP, §§ 6.5-101 through 6.5-301 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1092 Delegate Barkley, et al**WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION – REGULATION OF FEES AND CHARGES**

Authorizing the Worker's Compensation Commission to adopt regulations about payment for the examination of a covered employee and the preparation of a report by a medical expert engaged by a party; authorizing the Commission to regulate fees and other charges for examinations and the preparation of reports by medical experts under specified provisions of law; and prohibiting specified fees and charges from varying based on the party responsible for paying the fee or charge.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

LE, § 9-663 - amended

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1093 Delegates Barkley and Aumann**PRIVATE PASSENGER MOTOR VEHICLE LIABILITY INSURANCE – ENHANCED UNDERINSURED MOTORIST COVERAGE**

Authorizing a specified insured to elect to obtain specified enhanced underinsured motorist coverage, instead of specified uninsured motorist coverage, under a private passenger motor vehicle liability insurance policy under specified circumstances; requiring specified insurers to offer enhanced underinsured motorist coverage under specified circumstances; providing for the characteristics of that enhanced underinsured motorist coverage; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

IN, §§ 19-509, 19-509.2, 19-510, 19-511, and 19-513 and TR, § 17-103(b) - amended and IN, §§ 19-509.1, 19-510.1, and 19-511.1 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1094 Delegate Smith, et al**CONSUMER PROTECTION – MONITORING CONSUMER BEHAVIOR AND SHOPPING HABITS – REQUIRED NOTICE**

Prohibiting a merchant from using a wireless Internet signal or a cellular phone to monitor the behavior or shopping habits of a specified consumer unless the merchant displays at each entrance to the merchant's business premises a specified notice in a specified manner; providing that a violation of the Act is an unfair or deceptive trade practice under the Maryland Consumer Protection Act and is subject to specified enforcement and penalty provisions; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

CL, § 14-1324 - added

Assigned to: Economic Matters

HB 1095 Delegate Smith, et al**PUBLIC SCHOOLS – NUTRITION STANDARDS – VENDING MACHINES AND MARKETING**

Requiring a county board of education to develop and implement a policy that requires that all foods and beverages sold from a vending machine in an area of a public school that is accessible to students at any time during the day comply with specified nutrition standards and a wellness policy; requiring a county board of education to develop and implement a policy that requires that all oral, written, and visual marketing on a public school campus for foods and beverages comply with specified nutrition standards and a wellness policy; etc.
EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2015

ED, §§ 7-423 and 7-423.1 - added and § 7-423 - repealed

Assigned to: Ways and Means

HB 1096 Delegates Rosenberg and Stein**AGRICULTURE – WEIGHT AND MEASURE REQUIREMENTS – EXEMPTION FOR BIODIESEL PURCHASING COOPERATIVE**

Exempting a specified biodiesel buying cooperative from specified weight and measure requirements for the sale of liquid fuel.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

AG, § 11-315 - amended

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HB 1097 Delegates Glenn and McCray**CREATION OF A STATE DEBT – BALTIMORE CITY – MOVEABLE FEAST**

Authorizing the creation of a State Debt not to exceed \$200,000, the proceeds to be used as a grant to the Board of Directors of the Moveable Feast, Inc. for the acquisition, planning, design, construction, repair, renovation, reconstruction, and capital equipping of the Moveable Feast facility, located in Baltimore City; providing for disbursement of the loan proceeds, subject to a requirement that the grantee provide and expend a matching fund; etc.

EFFECTIVE JUNE 1, 2015

Assigned to: Appropriations

HB 1098 Delegates Rosenberg and Holmes**PUBLIC HOUSING AUTHORITIES – PROPERTY TRANSFERS – RIGHTS AND BENEFITS OF TENANTS**

Requiring the Community Development Administration, after an application for low-income housing tax credits for a property that is owned by a public housing authority and that is to be transferred to a receiving entity, to include in a covenant specified language regarding the duty of the owner of the property; requiring the Administration to include in a specified additional covenant regarding specified properties in Baltimore City specified language regarding the duties of the owner of the property; etc.

EFFECTIVE OCTOBER 1, 2015

HS, § 4-216 - added

Assigned to: Environment and Transportation

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTIONS INTRODUCED FEBRUARY 13, 2015**HJ 4 Delegate McKay, et al****MORATORIUM ON TAXES AND REGULATIONS**

Committing to the residents of the State that there will be a 4-year moratorium on increasing any existing taxes, establishing any new taxes, and mandating any additional regulations.

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HJ 5 Delegate Mautz, et al**NATURAL RESOURCES – GOOSE AND DUCK HUNTING SEASONS – EXTENSION**

Urging the members of the Maryland Congressional Delegation to work with Congress and the United States Department of the Interior to extend goose hunting and duck hunting season on the Eastern Shore to run through February of each year.

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

HJ 6 Delegate Parrott, et al**BUY MARYLAND**

Urging State agencies to procure goods and services from businesses located in the State of Maryland.

Assigned to: House Rules and Executive Nominations

